

ANNUAL REPORT
— OF THE —
TOWN OF GREENWOOD,

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1888.

Fannie E. Brooks

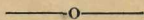


ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
AND
SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.
OF THE
TOWN OF GREENWOOD,

For the Year Ending February 29th, 1888.

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TOWN OFFICERS:



SELECTMEN.

EBEN E. RAND, E. L. TEBBETS, E. W. PENLEY.

TOWN CLERK.

ABNER C. LIBBY.

TREASURER.

J. G. COFFIN.

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS.

JESSE F. LIBBY.

Mar. to Nov., 1887.

HANNAH J. NOYES.

Nov. 1887 to Mar. 1888.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

ABNER D. BRYANT.

TOWN AGENT.

E. L. TEBBETS.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

*To Abner D. Bryant, a Constable of the town of Greenwood,
in the County of Oxford,*

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said town of Greenwood, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at Woodsum's Hall at Locke's Mills Village on the twelfth day of March, 1888, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles to wit:

Art. 1st. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2d. To hear and act upon the reports of the town officers.

Art. 3d. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4th. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 5th. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for building and repairing roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 6th. To see how much the town will vote to allow per hour for men and oxen for labor on the highway.

Art. 7th. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for building the new road near Locke's Mills as laid out by the County Commissioners.

Art. 8th. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay the interest on the town debt for the ensuing year.

Art. 9th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise toward paying the town debt.

Art. 10th. To see if the town vote to make a discount of three per cent. on all taxes of the current year voluntarily paid on or before the first day of December next, or otherwise.

Art. 11th. To see if the town will vote to have all taxes of the current year payable March first, 1889.

Art. 12th. To see if the town will vote to charge interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum on all taxes of the current year remaining unpaid after the first day of March, 1889, or otherwise.

Art. 13th. To see if the town desires the Selectmen to license a liquor agent for the ensuing year.

Art. 14th. To see if the town will vote to divide school district No. 3 and annex Wm. Richardson and George W. Richardson, and their estates, to district No. 5.

Art. 15th. To see if the town will vote to discontinue all or a part of the town road leading from near the buildings of C. M. Buck to where the Garland buildings once stood.

The Selectmen will be in session at Woodsum's Hall at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting for the purpose of receiving the qualifications of voters and correcting the voting list.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February, 1888.

EBEN E. RAND,

E. L. TEBBETS,

E. W. PENLEY.

Selectmen of Greenrood.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The Selectmen of the town of Greenwood respectfully submit the following report of the financial affairs of the town from March 1, 1887 to March 1, 1888.

The appraised valuation of real and personal property liable to taxation on the first day of April, 1887, was as follows:

Resident Real Estate,	\$81,245 00
Resident Personal Estate,	36,936 00
Non-Resident Real Estate,	15,730 00
Non-Resident Personal Estate,	413 00
Total Valuation,	<u>\$134,324 00</u>

Whole number of Polls, 197. Poll tax \$3.00.

Appropriated and Assessed.

State Tax,	\$412 12
County Tax,	177 84
Support of Schools,	700 00
Support of Poor and other town expenses,	1,000 00
Interest on town bonds and school fund,	810 00
To pay town bonds,	500 00
Overlay,	13 31
	<u>\$3,613 27</u>

To which we have added deficient highway tax, 1886, 47 18

Total amount committed for collection, \$3,660 45

Which amount we committed to Abner D. Bryant, Collector, June 10, 1887, for collection at 3 cents on the dollar.

Rate per cent. on money tax ($.02\frac{1}{4}$) two and one-quarter per cent.

HIGHWAYS.

Amount raised by town to be expended in labor on highways,	\$2,500 00
Overlay,	13 87
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Total committed to Highway Surveyors,	\$2,513 87
Rate per cent. (.016) sixteen mills. Poll tax, \$1.75.	

SCHOOLS.

Amount raised for support of Schools,	\$700 00
To which is to be added State Bank Fund and Mill Tax,	473 20
One year's interest on Ministerial and School Fund,	28 98
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	\$1,202 18
Add un-expended balance March 1, 1887,	266 78
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	\$1,468 96
Less un-expended balance March 1, 1888,	261 46
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Amount un-expended March 1, 1887 to March 1, 1888,	\$1,207 50
Whole number of scholars in town, 269.	
Rate per scholar, \$4.45.	

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Amount raised for interest,	\$810 00
Received of Collector, interest collected,	26 07
Received of Treasurer, interest collected,	1 15
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	\$837 22
Interest on town bonds, March 1, 1887 to July 1, 1887,	\$317 50
Interest on town bonds, July 1, 1887 to March 1, 1888,	375 00
Interest on temporary loans,	26 76
Discount on taxes paid before December 1, 1887,	56 59
One years interest on Ministerial and School Fund, 28 93	
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	\$804 83
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Un-expended balance,	\$32 39

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Schedule of property belonging to the town of Greenwood, as appraised by the Selectmen, the 29th day of February, 1888.

Town Farm,	\$1,500 00
Farming tools and furniture,	225 00
1 horse,	40 00
1 horse,	85 00
2 oxen,	125 00
2 cows,	65 00
1 three-year-old heifer,	35 00
2 hogs,	25 00
18 hens,	7 20
11 tons hay,	132 00
4 tons meadow hay,	24 00
3 tons straw,	18 00
2 tons corn fodder,	12 00
2½ thousand shingles,	6 87
75 bushels corn,	54 37
40 bushels oats,	18 80
160 bushels potatoes,	96 00
3 bushels beans,	7 20
1 barrel apples,	2 00
15 flour barrels,	2 25
175 pounds pork,	17 50
3 cider barrels,	3 00
½ barrel flour,	2 50
50 cords wood,	80 00

Total amount,	\$2,583 69
Amount of farm property in 1887,	2,254 77
Increase in 1887 to be credited pauper account,	\$328 92

Expense of Paupers on Town Farm.

DEBIT.

Paid C. C. Bryant, Overseer, March 1, 1887 to April 1, 1887,	\$ 20 83
“ C. C. Bryant, Overseer, April 1, 1887, to March 1, 1888,	297 92
“ for one yoke oxen,	125 00

Paid for advertising for Overseer,	1 50
“ insurance, town farm building,	16 00
“ D. P. Brooks, for grass,	4 00
“ E. E. Rand & Co., for supplies,	51 36
“ Tebbets Manufacturing Co., grain and lath yarn,	6 19
“ running lines and making plan of farm,	15 75
“ for cutting 90 $\frac{3}{4}$ cords of wood,	90 25
“ N. M. Small, for supplies,	21 51
“ L. B. Andrews, for supplies,	90 17
“ C. N. Tubbs, for supplies,	74 28
“ for blacksmithing,	17 81
“ for filing saws, etc.,	4 00
“ cash for supplies,	50 73
“ cash for meal,	35 66
“ cash for two pigs,	5 00
“ cash, for peeling poplar,	8 00
“ cash, for sawing poplar,	17 00
“ C. M. Buck, for hay and pasturing,	5 77
“ for digging potatoes,	7 00
“ for medical attendance,	50
“ for slide yoke and bows,	8 25
“ for use of wagon to haul wood,	2 75
“ for use of bull,	3 00

Total,	<u>\$980 23</u>
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CREDIT.

By increase in property for the year,	\$328 92
“ 37 cords of wood sold,	129 00
“ 31 8-10 cords of poplar sold,	111 30
“ 161 $\frac{1}{4}$ pounds of butter sold,	29 88
“ potatoes sold,	31 16
“ two cows sold,	40 00
“ one calf sold,	11 00
“ barrel flour sold,	5 50
“ received for transient board,	75
“ received for board of bridge men,	22 00
“ 12 days labor, Overseer and oxen, on bridge,	36 00
“ received for use of team,	1 00
	<u>\$746 51</u>

Pauper expense on farm,	<u>\$233 72</u>
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Expenses of Paupers not on Farm.

	Dr.
Expense of Lucinda Howe, at Insane Hospital,	\$145 95
“ “ F. W. Farr, at Insane Hospital,	137 40
Paid burial expenses of Henry Herrick,	24 00
“ medical attendance, Ira Cordwell,	44 25
“ board and attendance, Ida Judkins,	35 28
“ clothing furnished Elijah Libby,	4 35
“ for keeping tramps,	4 88
“ medical attendance, Henry Herrick, 1886,	12 00
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	\$408 11
	Cr.
By received of State for funeral expenses of	
Henry Herrick,	\$24 00
“ due from Ransom Cole, Guardian of	
F. W. Farr, for 1887,	137 40
“ due from town of Norway, acc't Ida Judkins,	35 28
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	\$196 68
Expense of paupers not on farm,	\$211 43
Add expense of paupers on town farm,	233 72
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Total expense of paupers for current year,	\$445 15

TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor :

Eben E. Rand,	\$55 00
E. L. Tebbets,	50 00
E. W. Penley,	51 00
Supervisors of Schools :	
Jesse F. Libby,	30 69
Hannah J. Noyes,	10 00
Treasurer :	
J. G. Coffin,	50 00
Town Clerk :	
Abner C. Libby,	10 00
Constable :	
Abner D. Bryant,	1 50
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Total,	\$ 258 19

Town Expenses for the year ending Feb. 29, 1888.

Town officers' bills,	\$258	19
Cost of collecting 1887 taxes at 3 per cent.	109	81
Abatement of 1887 taxes,	21	08
Expense of paupers on farm,	233	72
Expense of all other paupers,	211	43
Sanborn River Bridge, labor,	\$79	80
Sanborn River Bridge, material,	10	94
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City Bridge, labor,	\$201	14
City Bridge, material,	36	24
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Plank for other bridges,	84	98
Plank for bridges, 1886,	16	17
A. M. Whitman, working highway tax,	2	38
Repairing Culvert, district No. 6,	1	88
Trying road machine,	3	00
Powder, district No. 6,		60
Paid A. Heath, working highway tax of I. H. Lord,	2	25
Paid F. H. Verrill, settlement of bill of 1883,	11	00
Paid printing report of 1886,	18	00
Paid printing town bonds,	12	00
Stationery and printing,	30	70
Paid J. F. Libby, school books, to be refunded,	2	47
Office rent and fuel,	7	02
Use of hall for town meeting,	5	00
Use of teams,	15	00
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CREDITS.

Amount raised for support of poor and other town expenses,	\$1,000	00
Overlay,	13	31
Deficient Highway Tax, 1886,	47	18
Received of Ransom Cole, highway tax dist. 11,	80	70
“ “ State on account of diseased sheep,	9	60
“ “ Isaac H. Lord, highway tax dist. 3,	2	93
“ for school books,	80	
Due for school books,	1	67
	<hr/>	\$1,156 19
Deficiency in appropriation,		\$218 61

STANDING OF THE TOWN, FEB. 29, 1888.

LIABILITIES.

Town Bonds, outstanding,	\$ 12,500 00
Town Orders, outstanding,	567 69
Town Coupons, outstanding,	78 75
Interest on town bonds, Jan. 1st to March 1st, 1888,	93 75
Due Ministerial and School Fund,	483 00
One year's interest on School Fund,	28 98
Amount to be paid for collecting taxes of 1885,	1 44
Amount to be paid for collecting taxes of 1886,	2 19
Amount to be paid for collecting taxes of 1887,	43 23
Outstanding bills estimated,	
Maine Insane Hospital account, Lucinda Howe,	38 00
Maine Insane Hospital account, F. W. Farr,	38 00
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	\$13,875 03

RESOURCES.

Due on tax deeds in Treasurer's hands,	\$159 32
Due on taxes in Treasurer's hands,	71 15
Due on taxes in bills committed to R. L. Cole, 1885,	47 92
Due on taxes in bills committed to A. D. Bryant, 1886,	73 17
Due on taxes in bills committed to A. D. Bryant, 1887,	1,440 87
Due from Ransom Cole, guardian, F. W. Farr,	158 12
Due from town of Norway, acc't of Ida Judkins,	35 28
Due from town of Stowe, account of Parker family,	22 00
Due from L. B. Andrews, balance, town farm account,	18 63
Due for school books,	1 67
Due on tax deeds,	5 01
Cash on hand,	537 02
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Total resources exclusive of town farm property,	\$2,570 16
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Net debt,	\$11,304 87

Your board succeeded in refunding the town debt, substantially according to the scheme presented at the last annual meeting. New bonds were issued July 1st, 1887, to the amount of \$12,500 bearing interest at the rate of four and one-half per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, Jan. 1st and July 1st. The bonds are all of the denomination of \$500 and are payable at the Norway National Bank, of Norway, Me., at the option of the town within certain limits. In the following table we give the limits of time within which each bond is payable.

Nos. 1 and 2, due at the option of the town, July 1, 1888 to July 1, 1893,	\$1,000 00
Nos. 3 and 4, due at the option of the town, July 1, 1889 to July 1, 1893,	1,000 00
Nos. 5 and 6, due at the option of the town July 1, 1890 to July 1, 1893,	1,000 00
Nos. 7 and 8, due at the option of the town July 1, 1891 to July 1, 1893,	1,000 00
Nos. 9 and 10, due at the option of the town July 1, 1892 to July 1, 1893,	1,000 00
Nos. 11 and 12, due July 1, 1893,	1,000 00
Nos. 13 to 25, due at the option of the town July 1, 1893 to July 1, 1899,	6,500 00
Total issue,	<hr/> \$12,500 00

Uncollected Bills of 1885, in hands of Collector.

Jerome Ames,	\$ 3 00
George E. Buck,	3 00
George Felt,	3 00
Calvin Cole,	5 65
Ruth Herrick,	3 96
Benjamin F. Martin,	3 00
Sarah D. Martin,	4 95
William H. Martin,	3 00
Herbert L. Morey,	3 73
Oren Ring,	3 86
William Woodis,	10 77
Total,	<hr/> \$47 92

Uncollected Bills of 1886, in hands of Collector.

Alpheus S. Brooks,	\$6 41
John A. Buck,	1 97
Jacob P. Curtis,	9 20
Calvin Cole,	3 00
Charles E. Cole,	3 00
John Fifield,	2 79
Newton C. Herrick,	40
Charles W. Judkins,	9 08
Gustavus M. Kimball,	1 40
Sewall A. Millett,	4 27
Sarah D. Martin,	6 79
William H. Martin,	3 00
Horace F. Noyes,	4 55
William Whitman,	4 52
William Woodis,	12 76
Total,	<hr/> \$73 17

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town Treasurer in Account with the town of Greenwood.

DEBITS.

Feb. 28, 1887.

To Cash in Treasury,		\$9 68
due on tax deeds, viz.:—		
Frances P. Yates, 15 deeds,	49 07	
Jonathan Yates, 14 deeds,	62 46	
Chas. F. Morgan, 6 deeds,	37 40	
Ruth Herrick, 3 deeds,	19 67	
Newton Herrick, 2 deeds,	10 26	
John Fifield, Jr., 2 deeds,	11 90	
E. O. K. Waterhouse, 3 deeds,	23 00	
	<hr/>	213 76
due from Wm. Richardson, taxes, 1879,	17 98	
“ “ Ransom Cole, “ 1880,	50 85	
“ “ Wm. Richardson, “ 1881,	53 30	
“ “ Wm. Richardson, “ 1882,	129 00	
“ “ Wm. Richardson, “ 1883,	159 13	
“ “ R. L. Cole, “ 1884,	184 87	

To due from R. L. Cole,	taxes, 1885,	671 15
“ “ Abner D. Bryant,	“ 1886,	1600 94
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“ on 10 Resident tax deeds,		5 00
Apr. 15, received of Otisfield, account of A. M. Bonney,		21 95
“ “ Ransom Cole, highway tax dist. 11,		80 70
May 20, “ “ Isaac H. Lord, “ “ “ 3,		2 93
July 1, “ “ State, on account of diseased sheep,		9 60
“ “ “ “ Mrs. E. E. Bean, borrowed money,		50 00
“ 7, “ “ Ransom Cole, G’rd. acct. F. W. Farr,		40 00
“ “ “ “ for bonds issued,		12,500 00
“ 18, “ “ of N. LeBaron, borrowed money,		850 00
Oct. 28, “ “ Paris, acct. of Moses Swan & family,		84 70
Nov. 8, “ “ State, burial of Henry Herrick,		24 00
State School Fund and Mill Tax, 1887,		460 21
Feb. 25, 1888, received for school books,		80
“ “ interest on tax deeds and		
non-resident taxes,		1 15
“ of Collectors for interest on taxes,		26 07
assessment of 1887, committed to		
A. D. Bryant,		3,070 49
		<hr/> \$20,318 26

CREDITS.

Feb. 29, 1888.

By town orders paid and cancelled,	\$ 4,068 98
“ “ bonds “ “ “	13,000 00
“ “ coupons “ “ “ old issue,	146 25
“ “ “ “ “ “ new issue,	202 50
“ paid interest on bonds due July 1, 1887,	476 25
“ “ “ “ temporary loans,	26 76
“ paid for recording 3 deeds,	1 50
“ “ Resident tax deeds destroyed as worthless,	61 56
“ due on tax deeds and taxes, viz.:	
Jonathan Yates, 14 deeds and 6 years	
taxes,	\$96 38
Frances P. Yates, 15 deeds and 6 years	
taxes,	86 30
Ruth Herrick, 1 deed,	3 75
Newton C. Herrick, 1 deed,	2 02

Benjamin F. Martin, 4 deeds,	8 98	
Sarah D. Martin, 8 deeds,	33 04	
		230 47
" due from R. L. Cole, 1885 taxes,	47 92	
" " " A. D. Bryant, 1886 taxes,	73 17	
" " " " 1887 "	1,440 87	
		1,561 96
" " on 9 tax deeds,		5 01
" cash on hand,		537 02
		\$20,318 26

We recommend the following amounts to be raised for the ensuing year.

For support of Schools,	\$700 00
" " " the poor and town expenses,	1,200 00
" interest on town bonds, Ministerial & School Fund,	600 00
Towards paying town debt,	500 00
For building new county road, at Locke's Mills,	250 00

Eben E. Rand,

E. L. Tebbets,

E. W. Penley,

Selectmen of Greenwood.

Greenwood, March 1, 1888.

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Orders Drawn for Abatement of Taxes.

Names.	Year.	Poll Tax.	Personal Estate	Total.	Reason for Abatement.
F. H. Verrill,	1885			7 64	Error, highway tax.
F. H. Verrill,	1885	3 00		3 00	Lameness.
F. H. Verrill,	1886	3 00		3 00	Lameness.
Chas. W. Judkins,	1882		1 04	1 04	To obtain settlement.
Chas. W. Judkins,	1883		30	30	" " "
Chas. W. Judkins,	1884		3 31	3 31	" " "

Names.	Year.	Poll Tax.	Personal estate	Total.	Reason for Abatement.
Chas. W. Judkins,	1885		3 86	3 86	To obtain settlement.
Horace F. Noyes,	1882		3 11	3 11	Poor.
Horace F. Noyes,	1883		3 93	3 93	"
Michael Deegan			1 35	2 52	"
G'rd., P. Flaherty,	1887		*1 17		
Geo. M. Tubbs,	1887		56	56	Tax on cow, died in Apr.
H. S. Pingree,	1886	3 00		3 00	Did not live in town.
H. S. Pingree,	1887	3 00		3 00	" " " "
John Fifield,	1886			1 98	Error in high'y tax, '85.
James Flaherty,	1886	3 00		3 00	Did not live in town.
Sumner Frost,	1886	3 00		3 00	Paid tax in Woodstock.
F. S. Packard,	1886	3 00		3 00	Lived in Norway.
Elliott Rich,	1886	3 00		3 00	Lived in Bethel.
Charles W. Ayer,	1887	3 00		3 00	Lived in Andover.
Peter Dyer,	1887	3 00		3 00	Lived in Albany.
Wm. Melvier,	1887	3 00		3 00	Lived in Albany.
Chas. W. Cole,	1883	2 15		4 48	Poor.
A. C. Swan,	1879		1 00	1 00	To obtain settlement.
A. C. Swan,	1880		3 37	3 37	" " "
A. C. Swan,	1881	07	2 35	2 42	" " "
A. C. Swan,	1882		3 44	3 44	" " "
A. C. Swan,	1883		3 30	3 30	" " "
A. C. Swan,	1884	25	2 50	2 75	" " "
A. C. Swan,	1885		3 00	3 00	" " "
Chas. B. Brooks,	1880	26	2 48	2 74	" " "
Chas. B. Brooks,	1882	1 01	98	1 99	" " "
Chas. B. Brooks,	1883		69	69	" " "
Chas. B. Brooks,	1884	1 12	75	1 87	" " "
Chas. B. Brooks,	1885	1 08	84	1 92	" " "
Wm. Peabody,	1882	3 00		3 00	Lame.
Wm. Peabody,	1884	1 50		1 50	"
David Clark,	1880	2 00		2 00	Poor.
Justus I. Millett,	1880		3 37	3 37	Death of horses taxed.
Jonathan Yates,	1882		1 32	1 32	Dead and family poor.
Justin V. Yates,	1882	3 00	1 20	4 20	Poor.
Jonathan Yates,	1883		1 51	1 51	Dead and family poor.
Justin V. Yates,	1883		84	84	Poor.
Sylvest'r C. Yates,	1883		3 48	3 48	"
A. M. Bonney,	1884	3 00		3 00	Poor and Family large.
John Colby,	1884	3 00		3 00	Sickness.
J. W. Cummings,	1884	3 00		3 00	Lived in Norway.

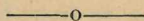
Names.	Year.	Poll Tax.	Personal Estate	Total.	Reason for Abatement.
Ruth Herrick,	1884		1 00	1 00	Unable to collect.
H. O. Herrick,	1884	3 00	50	3 50	Poor.
Timothy Heath,	1884	3 00		3 00	Lived in Shelburne.
Chas. F. Morgan,	1884	3 00		3 00	Poor.
Otis E. Morgan,	1884	3 00		3 00	"
Elisha Rogers,	1884	3 00		3 00	Moved to the Provinces.
Jonathan Yates,	1884		1 27	1 27	Dead and Family poor.
Sylvest'r C. Yates,	1884		3 18	3 18	Poor.
Hiram H. Bisbee,	1884		4 05	4 05	Dead and Family Poor.
Albion K. Elwell,	1879	3 00	2 82	6 57	Not able to collect.
Albion K. Elwell,	1879		*75		
Geo. C. Cole,	1881		2 21	2 21	To obtain settlement.
Geo. C. Cole,	1882		2 20	2 20	" " "
Geo. C. Cole,	1883		2 20	2 20	" " "
Lawson W. Cole,	1882	3 00		3 00	Poor,
Ruth Herrick,	2882		96	96	Unable to collect.
Almira C. Lown,	1882		5 66	5 66	" " "
Lawson W. Cole,	1883	3 00	1 08	4 08	Poor.
Ruth Herrick,	1884		82	82	Unable to collect.
Chas. L. Robbins,	1883	3 00		3 00	" " "
James Flaherty,	1883		58	58	Error in assessment.
Hiram H. Bisbee,	1880		5 75	5 75	Dead and Family poor.
Hiram H. Bisbee,	1881	3 00	8 52	11 52	" " " "
Hiram H. Bisbee,	1882	3 00	6 19	9 19	" " " "
Hiram H. Bisbee,	1883	3 00	6 02	9 02	" " " "
Michael Gill,	1884	3 00		3 00	Lived in Gorham, N. H.
Almira C. Lown,	1884		7 90	7 90	Unable to collect.
Geo. C. Cole,	1885		1 94	1 94	To obtain settlement.
Geo. C. Cole,	1886		4 35	4 35	" " "
Frank Rich,	1885	3 00	38	3 38	Poor and sick.
Elliot Rich,	1885	3 00		3 00	Lived in Bethel,
John A. Swan,	1885			6 69	Error defic't hig'y t'x, '84
Solomon B. Swan,	1885			1 40	" " " " "
Charles Swift,	1885	3 00		3 00	Poor, unable to collect.
Wm. E. Herrick,	1882		57	57	Poor.
Wm. E. Herrick,	1883		69	69	Poor.
Lenfest J. Russell,	1887	3 00		3 00	Belonged elsewhere.
Elijah Libby,	1887	3 00		3 00	Poor and family large.
Total,				\$ 258 12	

* Real Estate Tax.

Agents.	Teachers.	No. of District.	First Term of School began.	First Term of School closed.	Second Term of School began.	Second Term of School closed.	No. of Weeks.	No. of Boys.	No. of Girls.	Total.	Average Attendance.	No. Pupils in Spelling.	No. Pupils in Reading.	No. Pupils in Writing.	No. Pupils in Arithmetic.	No. Pupils in Geography.	No. Pupils in Grammar.	No. Pupils in other studies.†	Wages of Teacher excluding board.*	Price of board per week.	No. of Schools taught before.	No. of Daily Recitations.	No. not absent.	Visits of Supervisor.	No. of Visitors.	No. pupils reported by Selectmen.
Chas. Whitman,	Fidelia Swan,	1	May 16	July 1	Oct. 3	Dec. 9	7	5	4	9	8	9	9	4	5	3	0	0	2.00	1.20	0	14	3	2	3	17
O. G. Whitman,	Ella B. Carter,	2	May 16	Sep. 2	ret'd.		10	8	2	10	8	10	10	13	10	6	2	1	3.75	1.20	6	28	5	1	9	
Isaac S. Curtis,	Albert Stephens,	3	May 16	Reg.			12	13	7	20	16	20	20	13	10	6	2	2	3.50	1.50	5	24	1	2	16	43
Isaac P. Noyes,	Mabel I. Rawson,	3	Sep. 5	Nv. 11			10	6	6	12	10	12	12	5	10	5	3	1	1.75	1.40	1	17	7	2	5	6
	Hannah J. Noyes,†	5	May 16	July 9	Ag. 15	Oct. 8	16	11	5	16	10	14	14	10	9	5	1	1	2.50	1.00	7	26	2	2	18	24
M. Farrington,	Charles Buck,§	7	Jun. 18	Ag. 20			12	12	5	17	15	17	17	15	15	6	8	5	16.00	Giv. 0	22		2	2		
Chas. Brooks,	Alice M. Felt,	8	June 6	Jul 29	Oct. 24	Ja. 14	9	11	6	17	14	17	17	11	14	10	3	3	3.90	1.70	8	29	1	2	9	30
Chas. Hussey,	Alcina E. Kendall	8	June 6	Jul 29	Nv. 14	Ja. 13	12	14	8	22	20	22	22	17	19	14	5	15	4.75	2.00	18	24	5	1	10	
J. G. Coffin,	Ella Bryant,	9	June 6	Ag. 12			8	9	5	14	11	9	14	9	9	5	4		2.75	1.40	6	20	3	2	2	24
	C. A. Brooks,	9	June 6	Ag. 12	Nv. 14	Ja. 13	9	13	6	19	17	19	19	14	17	8	8	16	23.38	1.65	2		5	5	8	
	Annie M. Young,	9	June 6	Ag. 12			10	8	4	12	7	10	10	6	8	2	3		3.00	Giv. 0	27	3	1	0	22	
	Geo. Q. Perham,	10	May 9	Jul 15	Nv. 14	Ja. 20	10	9	3	12	11	12	12	11	12	4	5	4	24.00	Giv. 4	25	6	1	1		
	Lillian A. Abbott	10	May 9	Jul 15	Sep. 5	Nov. 4	18	9	16	25	13	23	20	15	17	7	10	12	4.50	8w\$2	23	31	1 t 2	3	13	42
	Two terms.																		10wg				2 t 0			
Sylvester Cole,	F. E. Stevens,	11	June 6	Jul 15			9	11	16	27	19	25	25	27	8	7	9	9	30.00	1	40	1	1	1		
A. E. Morgan,	Delia A. Wyman,	11	June 6	Jul 15	Dec. 26	Fb. 10	6	5	10	15	13	8	15	7	8	3	1		3.00	1.75	2	14	4	2	7	22
Frank Verrill,	Dora B. Kimball,	12	May 16	Jul 22			7	4	5	9	8	9	9	5	7	7	1	1	5.50	1.75	12	17	3	1	0	
	Carrie E. Ayer,	12	May 16	Jul 22	Oct. 17	Dec. 23	10	6	10	16	11	14	16	2	10	5	1		2.00	1.25	0	28	2	2	5	22
	Dora B. Kimball,	13	May 23	Sep. 30			10	7	9	16	14	16	16	6	11	14	7	1	4.50	1.35	11	14	1	1	0	
	Albertie Carville,	13	May 23	Sep. 30			16	4	3	7	7	7	7	6	7	6	1		2.25	1.25	0	24	0	1	18	14

*Males, per month; females, per week. †Physiology, 8; Book-keeping, 7; Composition, 23; Latin, 2; Algebra, 2; Physical Geography, 2. ‡Taught two terms. §Third term, began Dec. 5; closed Feb. 22. ||Third term, began Nov. 28; closed Jan. 27.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT.



Cizizens of Greenwood:

In presenting the annual school report of this town we have ventured to depart from the senseless and stereotyped form which consists in bestowing praise indiscriminately upon the deserving and undeserving, serving only to deeply impress one with the wonderful fertility of resource of the *genus* school committee, in saying the same thing in so many different ways. Believing that the object of the school report is to give the citizens as accurate information as possible of the present condition and future needs of the schools, this report has been prepared in such manner as, it is hoped, will best accomplish this object.

It seems unnecessary to say much in addition to the information contained in the foregoing table of statistics; it may not be amiss, however, to call your attention, particularly, to a few things revealed by the figures of the table.

Especially noticable is the large number of daily recitations with which many of the schools are burdened. This shows need of closer classification. Most of the teachers of the summer and fall schools were instructed to classify closely; but, while a few succeeded in doing this, too many were forced to yield to the caprice of pupils or obstinacy of parents. We have not space to discuss the advantages of large classes and few recitations, but trust that a little thought will make them so apparent as to result in co-operation of parents and teachers to bring this about.

Another important matter to be noticed is the great inequality in the length of schools. As each citizen pays an equal tax per dollar, it is an injustice to a man who lives in a small district that his children can not have equal school privileges with those of larger districts. This and many other evils would be overcome

by the abolition of that most pernicious arrangement known as the district system.

The study of United States History is conspicuous for its absence from the schools of this town. In these days of socialism and anarchism and crude ideas of political rights and duties, our schools owe as a sacred duty to the Nation which fosters them such instruction of our youth as will be a defence to it in the time of its peril. In no better or surer way can we resist the tendencies and answer the theories of the lawless and ignorant hordes constantly pouring in upon us from Europe, than by inculcating patriotism through the study of the history of our Country and the principles of its government. We hope to see the study of United States History immediately revived in this town, even though it be at the expense of that all-consuming and devoutly adored study called arithmetic.

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

The progress of the scholars up to the time of my resignation has been about the same as in former years. The qualifications of teachers, the class of work done, and the results, together with the unaccountable fondness of our pupils to go over arithmetic from term to term without ever advancing to any thing else, continues in the same net as formerly. Neither the teachers nor the pupils are to blame for this. The citizens must put the shoulder to the educational wheel and lift it out of this net. And I trust that in some or all of the recommendations which follow, a way to do this will be seen. There have been, however, some exceptions to this state of affairs. The school in district No. 10 shows marked improvement in the variety of studies and class of work done; and the summer term in No. 2 is also deserving of special mention, while all teachers, the well qualified and the poorly qualified (and we have had both) have been honest and earnest in their efforts for their schools and have certainly earned the small wages which most have received. Nevertheless, the wages now paid average better than in former years and compare favorably with those paid in other small towns.

SCHOOL-HOUSES.

We have in town but three school-houses in good repair, districts 9, 8 and 5; two that are repairable and six that are not worth repairing and should immediately give place to new buildings.

Partly in view of the foregoing considerations and partly for other reasons, there are submitted to your consideration the following

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The town, having been hampered by debt and disastrous fires, is not altogether blamable for the slow progress of our schools and their present poor accommodations; but, in our present prosperity and good financial standing, we certainly can excuse ourselves no longer if we do not immediately accomplish a few of the many things we owe to our children. First and of highest importance, the adoption of the town system is recommended. Space will not allow discussion of the advantages to be thus derived, but a few of the most important may be briefly stated, viz.: equality of school privileges, better buildings, better supervision, and consequently better teachers, greater economy, system, and better classification.

Secondly, the gradual adoption of the free text-book system is advised, to be done in the following manner: each pupil shall use the books already furnished by his parents; but when new books are needed, the town shall furnish them, and such books shall be considered as only lent to the pupil who is held responsible by law for any unnecessary damage and their safe return to the teacher at the close of each term. A few of the benefits of this plan are, a great saving of buying at wholesale; a complete uniformity of text-books; every school furnished with all the books needed, and books much better cared for.

The following SPECIAL RECOMMENDATIONS are submitted.

First, the union of Nos. 1 and 13 in building a suitable house so located as to best accommodate both the districts. Thus these two smaller schools, united, would make one school not any too large, increasing the interest of the pupils, and saving the expense of building two new houses, two teachers, two fires, and two houses to furnish and repair when one of each would serve the purpose much better.

Secondly, the building of a new and modern school-house in the village district, No. 10, is most earnestly urged. Would that every citizen might be impressed with the importance of providing school accommodations more worthy of the place. On visiting the school, I found a company of young ladies and gentlemen of good intelligence and capacity for learning whose examinations

showed that they were trying to do everything for their improvement which their poor and un-inviting surroundings would permit. They are here building characters for themselves and will hereafter give character to your village. What are you doing to aid them in their most worthy work? You are permitting them to attend school in a building where you yourselves would not remain a day, wholly devoid of ornament or attractiveness, most uncomfortable, unclean, and unhealthy; and I believe, positively dangerous in times of deep snows or high winds. Surely, if we have young men and ladies in our midst who want to improve such privileges as they have within their reach, let us encourage them by providing a safer, neater, more ornamental and better located building than the present unsightly red box with a roof to it.

Lastly, the subjoined course of study is recommended for No. 10, and such other schools as it may be practical to adopt it in. This was copied directly from the course of study for common schools now in use in the town of Farmington, Me. I believe it is as adaptable to our schools as any that might be formulated.

A FOUR YEARS' COURSE OF STUDY FOR COMMON SCHOOLS.

Pupils can begin this course who are familiar with the four fundamental rules of Arithmeaic and able to read in the Fourth Reader.

First Year,—Fourth Reader; Spelling, oral and written; Arithmetic, to weights and measures; Elementary Geography, completed; Language Lessons, using questions in the Reader, supplemented by questions by the teacher; Writing, and Drawing.

Second Year,—Reading, Fourth Reader and Child's Book of Nature; Spelling, oral and written; Writing; Drawing; Arithmetic, to Percentage; Geography, to South America; Language Lessons; Grammar.

Third Year,—Reading, Child's Book of Nature and Fifth Reader; Spelling, oral and written; Writing; Drawing; Arithmetic, to Involution; Geography, completed; History of the United States, through Revolutionary War; Grammar.

Fourth Year,—Reading, Fifth Reader; Spelling, oral and written; Arithmetic, completed; U. S. History, completed; Analysis; Physiology; Constitution of Maine; Examination, covering the Course, by Superintending School Committee; Graduation.

Advanced Course,—Miscellaneous Reading; English Composition; Physical Geography; Elementary Algebra; Natural Philosophy; Civil Government; Elementary Geometry; Examination, covering the Course; Graduation.

In conclusion I would call the attention of the town to the recent law obliging the annual election of a truant officer, under penalty of thirty dollars for neglect; of agents to the necessity of making a financial report to the Supervisor as well as to the Selectmen; and of making an annual census return also to the Supervisor.

Hoping this report will meet with your approval and the endorsement of my successor, it is respectfully submitted.

J. F. LIBBY.

Supervisor from Annual March Meeting to Nov. 23, 1887.

Leaving Mr. Libby's report as it stands there is but little more to add after completeing the table of statistics from the registers of the winter schools, with the exception of districts number two and seven from which registers have not been returned.

Have visited all the winter schools except in districts number nine and twelve. I was not informed when these schools were to close until too late to visit them.

Respectfully,

HANNAH J. NOYES.

Supervisor from Nov. 23, '87 to Mar. 1, '88.

